

SportChassis Awarded Regents Business Partnership Excellence Award

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SportChassis, LLC, of Clinton was recently presented the Regents Business Partnership Excellence Award by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for its partnership with Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. Accepting for SportChassis were (second from left) Brian Aneshansley and Nina Green. Making the presentation were (from left): Oklahoma Lt. Governor Todd Lamb, SWOSU President Randy Beutler and Oklahoma Chancellor for Higher Education Glen Johnson.

Twenty-seven business and higher education partnerships throughout the state were recently recognized for innovative collaborations that strengthen Oklahoma's workforce.

Among the partnerships recognized at the reception in Oklahoma City were Southwestern Oklahoma State University and SportChassis, LLC, of Clinton. SportChassis was given the Regents Business Partnership Excellence Award by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

The award is designed to highlight successful partnerships between higher education institutions and businesses and to further cultivate the higher learning environment through State Regents' Economic Development Grants.

SportChassis' long-standing partnership with SWOSU has most recently resulted in a unique internship experience for two SWOSU students. SportChassis has been heavily focused on designing a right-hand drive truck for the international market and has employed engineering technology and computer science interns during that process.

The engineering technology intern has done work in 3D modeling, documentation, programming and technical writing. The computer science intern has worked on server logs, job tracking, web design and a dealer portal.

Founded in 1998, SportChassis' vision to build the finest line of heavy duty pickups in the world has pushed the standards of a cross country hauler to new heights. SportChassis has proudly transformed the heavy duty pickup market by designing their product around a multitude of luxury features: quiet air ride cab, fine leather seating and state of the art voice/touch screen multimedia system.

"Oklahoma's colleges and universities drive economic advancement, collaborating with business and industry partners to link academic programs directly to employment needs in high-demand areas," said Chancellor Glen D. Johnson. "Through these partnerships, students engage in hands-on career-related experiences and are better prepared for the workforce."